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Dear General Counsel:

I have personal knowledge and a good faith belief that David H. Krikorian (FEC ID# H8OH02090) and the Krikorian for Congress Committee (FEC ID# C00449330) have violated the prohibition of receiving corporate contributions as set forth by the Federal Elections Commission. The law as I understand it prohibits corporations from making contributions or expenditures from their general treasury funds in connection with any election of any candidate for federal office.

On or about June 22, 2009 the Armenian National Committee of America (a corporation) sent a national email fundraising appeal (see exhibit 1) to an unknown list of supporters. On or about June 24, 2009 the Armenian Weekly (a corporation) a national news organization published that fundraising appeal (see exhibit 2) in its entirety making a direct appeal to its readers to contribute to the campaign of Mr. Krikorian. Neither fundraising appeal contained any of the necessary and legally required disclosures regarding who paid for the appeal, who may give to the candidate or what the tax ramifications may be.

Further it appears by the finance disclosure filed by the Krikorian campaign that as much as \$45,000 may have been raised in this illegal manner.

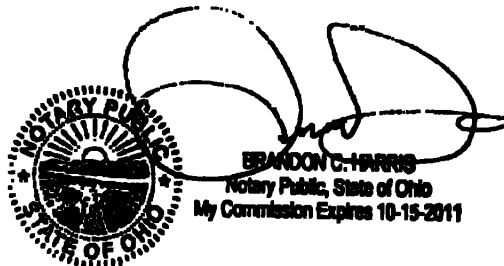
It is apparent that both the Armenian National Committee of America and the Armenian Weekly newspaper have used corporate resources to the significant benefit of Mr. Krikorian's campaign for the United States House of Representatives.

I hereby request that your office further investigate this matter and issue proper penalties to David Krikorian, the Krikorian for Congress Committee and the corporations involved for violations of the FECA. This complaint is submitted for your consideration, I hereby swear to my good faith basis to the facts submitted in this complaint as shown by my notarized signature.

Sincerely,



Phil Greenberg



Enclosures

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Paid for by Schmidt for Congress Committee

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From: [redacted]@anca.org>
To:
Sent: Mon Jun 22 20:36:10 2009
Subject: 3 reasons to help Krikorian for Congress today



Armenian National Committee of America
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Dear Friend:

David Krikorian's fundraising deadline is just days away.

On June 30th the Krikorian campaign will report how much he's raised to face U.S. Rep. Jean Schmidt, the genocide-denying darling of the Turkish lobby.

Armenian American financial support before this Friday will show David's financial strength, help keep others out of this Southern Ohio Democratic primary, and leverage the national party into pouring its own resources into this race after the primary.

Which brings me to my 3 reasons for sending your secure on-line donation today to David's campaign for the U.S. Congress.



1) David is a great Armenian American: David's a proud son of the Armenian American community. He's the past Chairman of the Armenian National Committee of Ohio, a devoted family man, and a self-made business owner who's given back to his community.

2) Jean Schmidt has got to go: Jean Schmidt is a tireless enemy of Armenian issues and an equally energetic apologist for Turkey's sins (see her lay a wreath at Ataturk's Tomb). She's even filed an official complaint against David for speaking honestly about how she's taken tens of thousands of dollars from Armenian Genocide deniers.

3) David is going to win: The race to defeat the highly vulnerable Schmidt, who squeaked by in 2008 with the lowest percentage of any member of Congress, has already been picked by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee as one of their top 8 races for 2010. Polling shows

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David, who received the highest percentage of any Independent last cycle, as the top candidate to take her seat.

David's perfectly positioned to win as a conservative Democrat who is in sync with his local party, has proven appeal among Independents, and enjoys crossover support among Republicans.

This is our chance, our "perfect storm" to beat a genocide denier AND send a powerful new Armenian American voice to Congress. So please take a moment to send your secure on-line donation today. Whether you send \$20, \$200, or \$2000, every dollar you send before the June 30th deadline will make a real difference.

With warmest regards,



Aram Hamparian
Executive Director

P.S.: Beating Schmidt would be crucial even if David weren't running. With David in the race this is our community's top priority for the 2010 elections. So please send your secure on-line donation to David's campaign by the June 30th deadline.

If you'd rather not give online, please make your check out to **Krikorian for Congress** and send it to:

Krikorian For Congress
"Citizens for Krikorian" Initiative
PO Box 43372
Cincinnati, OH 45243

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From: [redacted]@anca.org>
To:
Sent: Tue Jun 30 01:48:27 2009
Subject: Krikorian deadline today



Armenian National Committee of America
NATIONAL OF OHIO ARTISTS

Dear Friend:

David Krikorian's fundraising deadline is just hours away.

After midnight on June 30th, the Krikorian campaign will report how much they've raised to face U.S. Rep. Jean Schmidt, the genocide-denying darling of the Turkish lobby.

Armenian American financial support will show David's financial strength, help keep others out of this Southern Ohio Democratic primary, and leverage the national party into pouring its own resources into this race after the primary.

So far, 140 donors have contributed more than \$11,000 to David's campaign on-line. Here are 3 reasons to join with these devoted Armenian Americans in sending your secure on-line donation to David's campaign before midnight tonight.



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By [Arac Hamparian](#) • on June 24, 2009 • [Email This Post](#)

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